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**MAYOR BARRETT ENCOURAGES FLOOD VICTIMS
TO APPLY FOR FEMA AID**

Deadline for disaster relief quickly approaching

MILWAUKEE – Assistance is still available for Milwaukee residents who experienced damage during the July 20-24 flooding, and Mayor Barrett is encouraging residents to seek the help that is being offered by FEMA. Flood victims seeking federal aid have until November 17 to register with FEMA.

“FEMA has already assisted more than 30,000 Milwaukee residents who registered for aid,” Mayor Barrett said. “Help is still available and it is vital for people who have not yet registered with FEMA to do so as soon as possible.”

To date, Milwaukee County residents and small businesses have received more than \$45 million in federal aid since it was granted on September 18. Emantha Peavey, a Milwaukee homeowner who applied soon after the individual assistance was granted said, “I appreciate all of Mayor Barrett’s help and the repairs are going well,” Peavey said. “There are about seven of us here [in the neighborhood] who have received FEMA aid and we are all very happy with the progress.”

Residents can apply by calling the FEMA help center at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or by going online at www.disasterassistance.gov.

Help center calls will be answered by a live representative and should take no longer than 15 minutes. The hotline is open from 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m., seven days per week.

In addition to encouraging residents to apply for FEMA, Mayor Barrett also expressed his appreciation to the many organizations that partnered with the City to assist residents in the massive clean-up effort launched immediately following the July flooding.

Volunteers assisted in debris removal and mold remediation for 181 elderly or disabled residents.

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“I’m grateful to the countless volunteers and community organizations that provided the help these residents needed,” Mayor Barrett stated. “On behalf of the many residents that were served, I offer my thanks to the incredible and inspirational Milwaukeeans. Your tireless efforts and community-minded spirit are greatly appreciated.”

The following organizations played a key role in the clean-up effort success: 211 IMPACT, All Hands Disaster, AmeriCorps, ARES RACES, Christian Reformed World Relief Committee, City of Milwaukee Departments, Communities and Organizations Active in Disaster, Community Partners (Safe and Sound), Department of Homeland Security, Flood Emergency Assistance Team, Federal Emergency Management Assistance, Grainger, Kleen mart, Long Term Recovery Committee, Lutheran Social Services, Milwaukee Community Service Corp, Milwaukee Community Christian Corp-Youth Builds, Milwaukee County, Milwaukee Fire Department, Milwaukee Health Department, Milwaukee Kicker’s Soccer Club, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District, Milwaukee Police Department, Milwaukee Public Schools, Nechama, Office of Justice Assistance, Ozaukee County, Project Recovery, Racine County, Red Cross, Salvation Army, Southern Baptist, United Methodist Church, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Veolia Water, Volunteers and Organizations Active in Disaster, Washington County, Waukesha County, Wisconsin Emergency Management.